

DM-489

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Friday, 8 June 1956

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, Gen. Cabell, Mr. Wisner, Mr. Amory,
Col. White, Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Helms, Bissell,
Roosevelt, Sheldon, Gen. Truscott, [redacted]

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Mr. Dulles:

a. Referred to a proposal submitted by [redacted] and noted that in a recent telephone conversation between General Donovan and Mr. Houston, Gen. Donovan had indicated that General Erskine was in favor of this project. The Director said that the OCB had taken a rather dim view of it and further that CIA is already doing some of the things recommended therein. The Director commented it appeared to him that this was a military rather than an intelligence project, and upon being advised by Mr. Wisner that [redacted] of Gen. Erskine's office was coming in to see him [redacted] asked Mr. Wisner to take up this matter with [redacted]. The Director said DD/P might advise [redacted] we assumed the proposal in question would be placed before the JCS and CIA would develop covert annexes when necessary and as required.

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b. Referred to a cable from [redacted] and directed that the information contained therein be furnished Messrs. [redacted] on an eyes only basis.

c. Noted that at the last OCB meeting the question of providing training for [redacted] had been raised and he was somewhat hesitant about CIA doing this. The Director said, taking into consideration the frequent changes made in [redacted] he thought it was a mistake for CIA to become closely aligned with any one regime. ACTION: The Director has asked [redacted] to staff this problem out since further discussion at the OCB had been deferred until the next meeting on 13 June.

Mr. Wisner:

Reported on a conversation he had with [redacted] respecting an important assignment which had been offered to [redacted]

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